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Office of Engineering & Technology
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Subject: Notice of Inquiry, Broadband Over Power Line (BPL)

To whom it may concern:

I am a licensed amateur radio operator, call sign KY6J, and shortwave listener. I am deeply concerned about the interference to the HF band that will be caused by BPL if it is authorized.

Amateur Radio

Amateur Radio is much more than a hobby. It provides emergency communications into, out of and within disaster areas. In light of the "September 11" disaster and future disasters/emergencies, having a trained amateur radio service in place seems to be a necessity! BPL interference could greatly degrade/destroy this valuable national communications service.

Shortwave Listening

Shortwave listening provides many people a foreign cultural experience that they may never be able to experience in person. The Internet will never provide this experience in total. BPL interference could greatly degrade this experience.

Conclusions: I urge the FCC not to proceed with the authorization of BPL transmission. Much more testing and evaluation must be completed before authorization should ever be given. This should include the international community.

Respectfully,

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